463. [*Transferred to the 13th November, 1986*]

Indo-Bangladesh meeting on Ganga waters

464. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD :
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian and Bangladesh Ministers had a meeting at Dhaka in August last to study the Ganga river water flow during dry season; and

(b) if so, what was the outcome of the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) and (b) The Water Resources and Irrigation Ministers of India and Bangladesh held a meeting in Dhaka on August 27th and 28th, 1986 to review the work of the Indo-Bangladesh Joint Committee of Experts (JCE) entrusted with the task of working out of a long-term scheme or schemes for the augmentation of the flows of the Ganga at Farakka. They directed the JCE to submit concrete proposals by November, 1986.

World Bank loan for import of Fertilizers

465. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the World Bank has granted a loan for financing the import of fertilizers by us;

(b) if so, the quantum and varieties of fertilizers proposed to be imported under the loan; and

(c) the countries from which the fertilizers are likely to be imported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The quantum and varieties of fertilizers to be imported will depend on the actual requirements from time to time.

(c) Fertilizers will be imported from countries with which Government of India have got trade agreements for payment in Rupees, against credit arrangements and partly against free foreign exchange sources.

Report on the shifting of office of public sector undertakings from Delhi

466. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the high-power Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of the Cabinet Secretary to identify the offices of the public sector undertakings which are not required to be located in Delhi has since submitted its report; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Flood damage in Andhra Pradesh

467. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO:
SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the loss of life and damage

to property suffered due to floods in Andhra Pradesh during the months of August and September, 1986;

(b) whether the Central Government have sent any team to Andhra Pradesh to assess the extent of losses of life, property and also of crops ;

(c) if so, what are the details of the report submitted by the team; and

(d) what are the details of the assistance sought for by the Government of Andhra Pradesh and given by the Central Government so far for the flood relief to Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The State Government have reported that 326 human lives were lost on account of heavy rains/floods and properties worth Rs. 1686.74 crores were damaged.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Based on the report of the Central Team and recommendations of the High Level Committee on Relief, a ceiling of expenditure amounting to Rs. 132.37 crores has been approved for flood relief in Andhra Pradesh against the request of the State Government for Rs. 1226.50 crores.

D.D.A. flats at Vasant Kunj, Delhi

468. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY :
SHRI K. GOPALAN ;
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State :

(a) what was the number of flats DDA proposed to construct at Vasant Kunj and what was the estimated cost for a flat, category-wise;

(b) what is the number of flats being constructed at present and the number of them which have been completed and by when the rest of them are likely to be completed.;

(c) how many flats were allotted to applicants initially and whether some of these allotments were subsequently cancelled, if so, what are the reasons for the same ;

(d) what steps are being taken to provide flats to htose whose allotments have since been cancelled; and

(e) whether any enquiry has been ordered to fix responsibility, if so, what are its terms of reference, if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Grants for Indo-US agricultural research scheme

469. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the U.S. administration has awarded any grants to Indian Researchers for Indo-U.S. cooperative agricultural research programmes ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) : (a) Yes, Sir